

IN THE CLAIMS

1(currently amended). A communication device comprising
means for receiving a call signal from a remote source,
an audible ring generator for activating a ring signal
responsive to the receipt of the call signal,
deactivation means for turning off an activated ring signal,
and
means for operating said deactivation means to turn ~~of~~ off a
ring signal by striking the communication device.

2(currently amended). A communication device according to claim 1,
wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn
off a ring signal by striking the communication device comprises
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when
the communication device is struck,
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and
producing a control signal and
ringer control means for actuating said means for operating
said deactivation means to turn ~~of~~ off a ring signal by striking
the communication device upon the receipt of a control signal.

3(currently amended). A communication device according to claim 1,
wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn
off a ring signal by striking the communication device comprises
microphone means for receiving environmental noise,
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when
the received environmental noise corresponds to noise resulting
from the striking of the communication device,
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and
producing a control signal and
ringer control means for actuating said means for operating
said deactivation means to turn ~~of~~ off a ring signal by striking the
communication device upon the receipt of a control signal.

4(original). A communication device according to claim 1, wherein said communication device is a mobile phone.

5(original). A portable device comprising
an audible alert generator for activating an alert signal responsive to the user of some required action,
deactivation means for turning off an activated alert signal,
and
means for operating said deactivation means to turn off the alert signal by striking the communication device.

6(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off the alert signal by striking the device comprises
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when the device is struck,
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and producing a control signal and
alert control means for actuating said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off an alert signal by striking the device upon the receipt of a control signal.

7(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off an alert signal by striking the device comprises
microphone means for receiving environmental noise,
signal generating means for generating a struck signal when the received environmental noise corresponds to noise resulting from the striking of the device,
processing means for receiving a generated struck signal and producing a control signal and
alert control means for actuating said means for operating said deactivation means to turn off an alert signal by striking the device upon the receipt of a control signal.

8(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein the action taken after the contact has been detected is programmable.

9(original). A device according to claim 5, where there is a pattern of interaction from the user to select a programmable action by the device.

10(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said communication device is a mobile phone.

11(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said device is a personal digital assistant (PDA).

12(original). A device according to claim 5, wherein said device is a personal mobile device.